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PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE IMPROVES

New Hospital for Khartkov

The inhabitants of the Krasnaya Bavariya district in the city of Kharkov delahrated the dedication of a new 20-department polyclinic. The inhabitants are particularly proud of this building, since they all had a hand in its construction. The cable factory and other industries in the district have cooperated whole heartedly in the construction program and are now making efforts toward preparing this new medical facility for winter operation.

Other districts in Khar'kov ere also receiving improved medical aid. A therapeutic department in Hospital No 9, Kholodnyye Gory, has been organized. Polyclinic No 15 in Pavlovka has the added services of ten new departments. Dispensaries for ambulatory patients have been organized for workers at the settlements imeni Artema, "Pobeia," Saltovo, and Nemyshl'.

To Hold Monthly Meetings

The authorities of the Moscow Oblast Public Health Department have resolved to hold monthly meetings of clinicists and anatomists to discuss recent achievements as well as blunders in the various medical specialties.

5.5 Million Rubles for Public Health

At a recent session of the Proletarian Rayon Council of Workers' Deputies in Frunze several reports were submitted on the various improvements made in medical service to the people of the Kirgiz capital. Kalinkina, chief of the Rayon Public Health Department reported on the assistance rendered by the state toward improving medical care for the working man.



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Kalinkina stated that whereas in 1914 there were only five hospitals, 14 doctors, and 21 surgeon's assistants in the whole of the SSk, today in Proletarskiy Rayon alone there are 84 doctors, 190 surgeon's assistants, several polyphinics, maternity homes, scores of children's welfars centers, and a large network of dispensaries and health points in factories and industrial buildings. More than 5.5 million rubles will be spent in 1949 on public health needs in this rayon.

The delegates to the conference resolved to increase the polyclinic network, to improve the service available to invalids both at home and in hospitals, and to place greater emphasis on the importance of sanitation-prophylactic work in schools and industrial enterprises of the rayon.

Medical Plan Completed

The Kiev Oblast Public Health Department has completed the state plan for expanding the network of sanitation and therepeutic institutions. Among many of the completed projects are basic buildings for an obstetrical and gynecological hospital in Fastova, children's welfare centers in Chernobyl, and many others.

All rural rayon centers are staffed with specialists embracing elmost all fields of medicine. Programs for the installation of X-ray equipment have been so successful that all plans have been exceeded; 101,000 children's beds have been made available instead of the 95,000 planned.

Voluntary labor from bolkhoz workers made possible the conversion of 25 buildings into rural hospitals, thus permitting the conversion of a like number of dispensaries for ambultary patients into dispensaries for bed patients. Never in the history of the Oblast Public Health Department have medical enterprises been prepared for winter operation as early as this year. All repair work has been completed and fuel supplies have been stocked. At pregent, plans are underway to use voluntary services to build hospitals in Uman, Berezani, Zhashkova, and other cities. Most of these will be started shortly after the end of this year.

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